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24 January 2009 – SWAP MEET 1130 am – 3 pm Grace United Methodist Church

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# **ISSUE NUMBER 117...**

Another great response from MD
TAMS... THANKS... Your labors make
my job a pleasure... But I'll need a few
more of your thoughts for the Winter
issue, so put on your thinking caps and
pen away!

We had a great ANA Show, hope you didn't miss it. Thanks to our Pres, Ed for a great job...and all the rest of you that pitched in...THANKS from all MD TAMSers...

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# **NEXT MEETING:**

# **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 22 at 11 am**

Whitman Coin Show
BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER

# **ALSO:**

24 January 2009 – SWAP MEET 11:30 am – 3 pm Grace United Methodist Church (No meeting) 14 February 2009 – Baltimore Museum of Industry TOUR – 11 am – Business Meeting & Auction

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FANTASTIC !!! The recent 117th Annual American Numismatic Association (ANA) Convention or the World's Fair of Money as it is also called was a huge success. Majoe Kudos to the local committee, chairpersons and volunteers. Maryland Token and Medal Society members were up front and an active presence in this milestone numismatic/exonumia event. My personal thanks as General Chairman to all who helped in any way. The ANA was extremely happy with the outcome. The convention center was sold out with no dealer space unused. The crowd estimate was about 10 thousand and the learning, education and participation opportunities were boundless. Having the ANA here is always a tremendous catalyst for the local area hobby. MD TAMS picked up five new members thanks to the new ANA program where Mainline Coins paid one year initial dues for any new member joining one of the five local, host clubs. There was over sixty new members among the five local clubs. This was great.

I want to pass along a job very well done to all those who manned our Local Club table where we signed up new members, sold our medals, other souvenirs, references and books, etc. This was a major success. Joe Burford had the lead in managing this part of the show and he was ably assisted by Marge Burford, Dot & Mill Hajek, Don Curtis, Jack Schadegg and selected others. We had a prime location in the lobby and had the first and last chance to talk with convention attendees. I would be remiss if I did not mention that Bryce Doxzen, the 2998 TAMS medal design winner was awarded a six medal set of his winning design - the race between the B&O Tom Thumb train and a horse. In my next president's letter, I willgo into more detailon how well MD TAMS members did with their ANA convention exhibits.

As a reminder, here are our next several MD TAMS meetings:

- 22 NOVEMBER 2008 WHITMAN COIN SHOW BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER (11AM)
- 24 January 2009 SWAP MEET Grace United Methodist Church (1130 3PM) (No Business Meeting)
- 14 FEBRUARY 2009 BALTIMORE MUSEUM OF INDUSTRY (11 AM) (Tour, Business Mtg & Auction)
  - 28 MARCH 2009 WHITMAN COIN SHOW BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER (11AM)
- 13 JUNE 2009 WHITMAN COIN SHOW BALTIMORE CONVENTION CENTER (11AM) (ANNUAL MEETING)

Edward L. Craig Presiden MD TAMS

# TO EVERYBODY IN MDTAMS

l am putting together an article on Maryland tags. I need color picture or black and white with the description of the colors. On any of the following tags. Car tags DAV type, Key Chains with Maryland tags on them, B. F. Goodrich Maryland tags, Maryland bicycle tags, Horse drawn wagon tags, Push cart tags, Maryland tags from cereal Co.. Prepaid calling cards, Any Maryland tags on card board from Topps or any other Companies, You can send this information to MDTAMS P.O. BOX 644 Gambrills, Md. 21054-0644 Or JOE BURFORD 331 S. GILMOR ST. BALTIMORE MD 21223

JOE BURFORD

MDTAMS R-241

Minutes of the MD TAMS Annual meeting held today in Room 310 of the Baltimore Convention Center. Baltimore, MD, during the ANA National Convention/Show

- I-Meeting called to order by President (E. Craig) at 11:00am with 26 members and 4 guests in attendance.
- II-Minutes of our last meeting (6-7-08) not read as they had been published in our Journal. However, Secretary J. Boswell read the "typos" (V-Old Business 2, VI-New Business "A" & VII (Announcements)) and the corrections were approved as read.
- III-Treasurer's Report:Not read as our Treasurer (R. Ruby) was in the hosptial. NOTE:Secretary (J. Boswell) sent a gct well card to Mr. Ruby.

# IV-Committee Reports:

- a-Journal-W. Mumford (Editor) reported that:(1)Our Journal is in good shape, (2)He has enough articles oon hand for one more Journal and (3)He could always use additional articles.
- b-Elongateds-Chairman (M. Hajek) reported that this program was "winding" down and that some extras are available.
- c-References-President Craig reported that no new references were currently being planned/worked on.

# V-Old Business:

a-President Craig reported that a elongated silver Statehood Quarter set was to be raffled off today (the winner was J. Sears who sold the set to J. Burford).

# VI-New Business:

- a-President Craig expressed our thanks to Journal Editor (W. Mumford) for the great job he has done/continues to do.
- b-President Craig: The 2008 Literary Award's first place winner was R. Sears for his article in Issue #113 and the Runner Up Award went to W. Stone for his article in Issue #112.
  - NOTE:The 1st place winner received:A bronze Aberdeen, MD medal, a silver ANA Host Club medal & a certificate. The Runner Up received a bronze Aberdeen medal, a bronze ANA Hot Club medal & a certificate.
- c-President Craig:The 2008 "Literary Bucks" were given to:B. Bodt, J. Boswell, E.Craig, M. Hajek, J. Hammond, W. Mumford, R. Ruby, R. Sears & W. Stone.
- d-President Craig-The 2008 Membership Award (for recruiting the most new members in the last year went to B. Bodt.
  - NOTE:Mr. Bodt received a bronze ANA Host Club medal & a bronze Aberdeen medal.
- e-President Craig-A new medal for our 30th Anniversary next year is being worked on. He then asked for volunteers for a Committee to see this project thru fruitation and W. Stratemeyer, W. Lenz & J. Boswell responded favorably.
- f-Carl Neeley requested that a committee be formed to investigate a "tier" to Life Membership in MD TAMS and that said committee consider the number of years a person has been a member when he/she applies for Life Membership.

# VII-Announcements:

a-President Craig: A "goodie bag" (containing: I ANA Host Club goldine medal, 1 MD TAMS goldine medal, 1 MD TAMS verbronze medal, 1 E. Craig personal goldine medal, 1 M. Hajek personal goldine medal, 1 packet of elongated eoins, 1 packet of amusement tokens, 1 envelope of play/funny money & 1 E. Craig personal elongated cent) was given to each member in attendance.

# Minutes of today's MD TAMS MEETING (cont.):

# VII-(Announcements)

- b-President Craig:2008 ANA "hanging badge" needed.
- c-D. Curtis:Contact U.S. Senator Benj. Cardin (at 202-224-2524) and ask him to support the Star Spangled Banner Coin Act.
- d-President Craig-Two of the "extra" goodie bags had a silver MD TAMS Host Club medal placed in them and the bags were auctioned off (MB was \$5) with the proceeds going into our trearury.
- e-B. Doxzon-Some of this year's ANA Exhibit Awards Winners (who were in attendance) were:
  - S. Emme, D. King, J. Hsammond, R. Fritsch & M. Hajek (who won multiple times).

# VIII-Show & Tell:

- a-President Craig -The set of TAMS Medals that MD TAMS member B. Doxzon had submitted the winning design for (the theme for the medal(s) was/were a race between a horse & a "iron horse").
- b-President Craig-The "Goodfellow" Medal he had received (after being asked to show it) for being General Chairman for this year's ANA Convention/Show.
- c-W. Barzak-Gibbs Canning items.
- d-D. Curtis-Miscellaneous Ft. McHenry exonumia.
- e-J. Burford-Bridge & Turnpike items.
- IX-Break taken so members & guests could "stretch their legs"/view the lots in our auction.
- X-Auction held which resulted in \$109.00 (including donated lot) being added to our Treasury.

XI-Meeting adjourned at approx. 1:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted.

James M. Boswell, Secretary MD TAMS

# MEDAL BANANZA

# Millard W. Hajek

The medals vary greatly in topic ranging from a Masonic Lodge medal celebrating 200 years of Masonry, a medal honoring the start of a newly formed organization, a Coin Club medal Commemorative 40 years existence, a medal honoring the birthplace of "The Star Spangled Banner" and a medal commemorating a 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The medals are described in detail below along with an illustration of each.

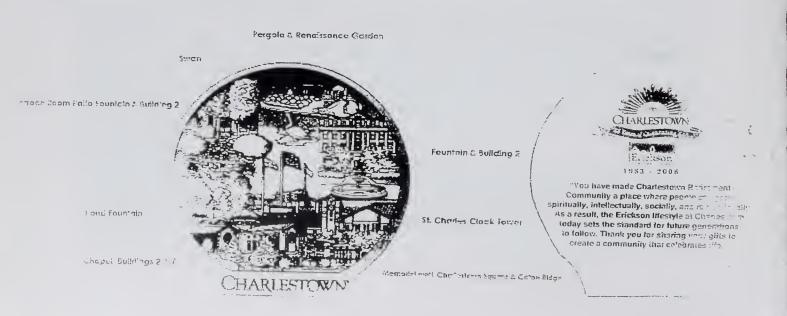
# Charlestown: Revolutionizing retirement for 25 years!

The Charlestown Retirement Community is ideally situated less than ten miles from downtown Baltimore located at 719 Maiden Choice Lane in the Catonsville area.. It is where John Erickson's vision started. This is a community with an atmosphere of fun and vitality that invites you to live to the fullest. Its unique historic district makes it different than every other community in Baltimore. The campus style community is popular with those interested in an active and fulfilling social life and the promotion of excellent health.

Starting on May 16, 2008 Catonsville's "Charlestown's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary" celebration began. The 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Charlestown is significant for a number of reasons. Besides being the home to more than 2,300 moderate-income residents and a major employee in Catonsville, residents and staff have been actively involved in the Catonsville community since the beginning, and that tradition of sharing time and talents continues today.

To prepare for the week-long celebration the Decorations Committee wanted to have a gift that would symbolize Charlestown's 25 years of celebrating life so they decided to issue a medallion. Since the medallion was too small to have 3,500 pictures of residents and staff, it choose to take pictures of the places where the residents and staff celebrate life.

The medallion illustrated below, is made of pewter, is 74 centimeters in diameter and was given to each resident and member of the staff.



# International Association of Silver Art Collectors Medal



A 39 mm silver round issued to commemorate the first annual meeting of the International Association of Silver Art Collectors was held in conjunction with the American Numismatic association in Baltimore, 2008.

Priced at \$30 each for the .999 fine silver proof, \$50 for the enameled silver, or \$6 each for the antique bronze. The medal illustrated below, shows a crab eating cake on one side and an ornate design around the circumference with a blank center on the reverse. Medals were available at the ANA Convention or by mail to the IASAC Secretary-Treasurer, P.O. Box 28415, Seattle WA 98118-8415. Postage and insurance charges are \$4 for one or two medals, or \$6 for three or more.

# Saint Maries Coin Club 40 years celebrated with medal

Founded in 1968 and in honor of the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year, St. Maries Coin Club of Maryland has created a collectible medal. The 1.5 inch medal is made of solid brass and contains antique silver, colorized and epoxy portions on both sides. The medal was made by Coins for Anything, Inc. which is owned and operated by former military. The company can be contacted by telephone on 1-866-583-5434 or by e-mail at <a href="https://www.CoinsForAnything.com">www.CoinsForAnything.com</a>. The medal, illustrated below, is very well done and enhanced by the coloring which appears on both the obverse and reverse. The obverse is symbolic of Lord Baltimore coinage, and the reverse features a portrait of Cecil Calvert, the first proprietor of Maryland.

The medal was available for \$10, postage paid, e-mail stmariescoinclub@comcast.net or write to Brain Allen, P.O. Box 365, Lusby, MD.

After 40 tears of existence, St. Maries Coin Club membership is approximately 70 strong. Additional information about the organization is available on <a href="http://smcc.anaclubs.org/">http://smcc.anaclubs.org/</a> on the Web.





# FORT McHENRY Birthplace of The Star-Spangled Banner

On a recent visit to Fort McHenry, my son discovered a vending machine located in the Visitor's Center offering a pair of medals for \$5.00 for. The medals illustrated below are 39mm in diameter and are brass and antique copper. The obverse features the symbolic Miss Liberty facing left with the date 1812 below The portrait appears to be the same as the obverse of the 1812 large cent. A graphic of the large cent is also illustrated for your comparison. The reverse reads: Fort McHenry N. M. & H. S. / Birthplace of / The Star Spangled Banner / September 14, 1814 with three stars on each side. (N. H. and H. S. is interrupted as: NATIONAL MONUMENT and HISTORICAL SITE.)



ONE CENT LARGE (CLASSIC HEAD), 1808-1814

# MT. ARARAT LODGE No. 44 A. F. & A. M

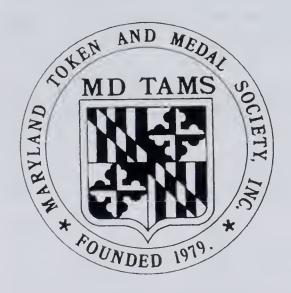
# CELEBRATING 200 YEARS OF MASONRY.

To commemorate the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Masonry, Mount. Ararat Lodge No. 44 A.F. & A. M located in Bel Air, Maryland has issued a 56mm brass medal which is illustrated below. The Lodge was ehartered on November 6, 1809. The obverse features a mountain with rays radiating from it's peak and the reverse has the Masonic symbol as its central feature.

The Lodge is located at 136 E. Gordon St., Bel Air, Maryland 21042 and can be reached by telephone on 410-838-5252. Additional information about the Lodge and its activities can be found on the Web at www.mtararat44.eom-Home







# MD TAMS Medal Design Contest 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1979-2009

A friendly reminder to make you aware that the November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 deadline for design submissions for our MD TAMS 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is fast approaching. Put on your thinking cap and get cracking on your design for the reverse of the medal we plan to issue.

Submit your design entry to:

MD TAMS DESIGN CONTERST, P.O. Box 644, Gambrills, MD 21054-0644

# HENRY HERRING

# FAIR MOUNT

BY

JANE SEARS - MD TAMS-LM 12





Rubbing from the Russ Sears collection.

Henry HERRING / FAIR MOUNT / 1834 token is listed as a hard times token. Any token privately manufactured, issued or used during 1832 to 1844 were considered in the hard times period. Before I elaborate on my research, I would like to share research of the others that came before me.

"STANDARD CATALOG OF UNITED STATES TOKENS 1700- 1900", 4th edition, Krause Publication. Russ Rulau in his book lists the token on page 140 (Hard Time section).

H. HERRING / FAIR MOUNT

H. T. # RARITY YEAR METAL SIZE VG F VF UNC 139 R 9 1834 WM 35mm - - 50.000 -

Henry Herring opened his famed Fair Mount Hotel and Gardens in May 1834 on the summit of Hampstead Hill This eastern section of the city became known as Fair Mount, later the Jackson Square area. Herring was the proprietor 1834 to 1845.

# "MARYLAND MERCHANT TOKENS" by David E. Schenkman

(A project by the Maryland Token and Medal Society, Inc., 1986) page 39

FAIR MONT / H. HERRING 1834 (within wreath)

F20 (Schenkman No.) white metal

35mm value O (over \$300.00)

In his catalog of Hard Times tokens, Rulau says Henry Herring was proprietor of the Fair Mont Hotel and Gardens from 1834 to 1845. Study of available Baltimore directories does not confirm this. A Fair Mount Hotel, located between E. Baltimore and Pitt Sts., is listed in the 1835-36 directory. It is not listed any other years. Henry Herring is listed in several 1830s directories, but only as owner of a lumber yard. The token is excessively rare.

Henry Herring was born September 26, 1792 in Maryland. His parents were Ludwig & Elizabeth Herring. He married Elizabeth P. (1792-1822) on January 17, 1814 in Baltimore. They had 5 childrens: Elizabeth Rebecca Herring, Louis David Herring, Henry Herring, George Augustine Herring, and Emily Virginia Herring.

He married his second wife Louisa Lowry in 1825. They had 10 childen: Louisa Herring, Mary Esther Herring, Ann Louisa Herring, Sophia D. Herring, Caroline Herring, Mildred Tutt Herring, Henrietta Herring, Malcolm Lowry Herring, Clifford Herring and Howard McKenzie Herring.

1850 Maryland Census Baltimore 4th ward page 27

errin	g Henry	56	Lumber Merchant	Maryland
	Louisa	42		Pennsylvania
	Anna L.	20		Maryland
	Sophia D.	18		Maryland
	Carol L.	16		Maryland
	Mildred T.	13		Maryland
	Henrietta	9		Pennsylvania
	Malcolm L.	7		Maryland
	Clifford	5		Maryland
	Howard	2		Maryland

1860 Maryland Census Baltimore 4th ward page 11

Herring Henry	67	Lumber Merchant	Maryland	property value 6000
Louisa	54		Pennsylvania	
Mildred	22	clerk	Maryland	
Henrietta	20		Pennsylvania	
Malcom	17	clerk	Maryland	
Horrace	12		Maryland	

### **BALTIMORE CITY DIRECTORIES:**

(Also included in this listing are subjects related to Fair Mount)
OT (Old Town)

DIO) IO	IOWII)		
1810	Ludwig Herring	lumber merchant	lower end McElderry wharf dw. 72 Albemarle OT
1816	Henry Herring	lumber merchant	68 Albermarle st., OT
	Ludwig Herring	lumber merchant	17 McElderry wharf
1817	H. Herring		68 Albemarle, OT
1819	Henry Herring	fan maker, bellows maker	M'Elderry st., OT
	Henry Herring		Queen near Granby, OT
1827	Henry Herring		dw. Exeter s of e Pratt
	Henry Herring	collector	Caroline, w side, s of and near e Pratt
1829	Henry Herring	lumber merchant	Exeter, near Stiles
1835	Fair Mount Hotel		between e Baltimore and Pitt sts
	Thomas Watson	prop. of Fair Mount	e Baltimore st.
1837	Henry Herring	lumber merchant	4 Eisquith st
1842	Henry Herring	lumber agent	Market st. n of Wilk
	Henry Herring jr.		Aisquith st. s of McElderry
1845	Henry Herring	lumber	near e Falls ave h. 10 e Lombard st
1847-48	Henry Herring	prop. planing mill	e Falls ave dw. 10 e Lombard st
	Henry Herring jr.	lumber merchant	Bond s Pratt
1852	Henry Herring	steam saw mills	cor e Falls ave and Stiles

# H. HEBRING'S SAVY & PLANING MILLI.

EAST FALLS AVANUE, Near Pratt St. Bridge.

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1853	H. Herring	steam saw mills	cor e Falls ave and Stiles
1855-56	Henry Herring	prop. planing mill	e Falls ave h. 10 e Lombard
1856-57	Henry Herring	lumber merchant	w Falls ave
1860	Henry Herring	commission lumber	w Falls ave dw. 26 Stiles
		merchant	
1864	Henry Herring	H.H. & Son	nw cor of e Falls & Canton ave
1865-66	Henry Herring &	lumber dealers	nw cor of e Falls & Canton ave
	Sons		
1867-68	Henry Herring &	lumber dealers	nw corner of e Falls and Canton ave
	Sons (H.	Herring, Malcolm L. & C	
1869	Henry Herring &	lumber dealers	ne cor of e Falls and Canton ave
	Sons (C	& H. McH. Herring)	

Henry Herring was a very prominent businessman in Baltimore. He was in the lumber business as was his father on McElderry wharf.

In June 1815, Henry Herring was one of 42 individuals who subscribed to the erection a MONUMENT in memory to the citizens killed in Baltimore in September 1814.

In 1817, he informed friends and the public, that he will continue the lumber and coal business on the upper part of the old stand of H. & G. Herring, on M'Elderry's wharf and also the Smith's Bellows making will be continued by H. Herring. He also purchased the Wm. Jacob Bromwell's establishment that make wheat fans, wire sieves, wove wire, rolling screens, cutting boxes (no. 17 McElderry's wharf).

In 1822, he was hoseman for the Vigilant Fire Company.

On March 19, 1825, Henry Herring was appointed as a lumber inspector by the Governor and Council of Maryland.

In 1826, he commenced the commission lumber yard business on McElderry's wharf. He serviced carpenters, cabinet, chair and coach makers, ship carpenters, boat builders, mill-wrights, wheel-wrights, packing case maker, coopers and fence makers.

Note: On March 1827, William Patterson presented to the city 2 squares (of ground) on Hampstead Hill, later to be known as Patterson Park.

## ESTABLISHMENT OF PROPERTY

An agreement was filed on December 18, 1833, between George W. Williamson and Henry Herring. A sum of \$3650 to be paid in 5 years (with promissory notes dated spaced within those years). The agreement for lots or parcels of ground situated in the Eastern part of the city of Baltimore on Hampstead Hill, lots number 94, 97, 98 and 100.

A square of ground bounded by Market St., Hampstead Hill St., Pitt Street and Argyle Alley.

A piece of ground bounded by Hampstead Hill St., Pitt St., Argyle Alley and the given line of the whole ground that is to say 47 feet on Hampstead Hill St., 235 ft. on Pitt St. and 405 ft. on Argyle Alley.

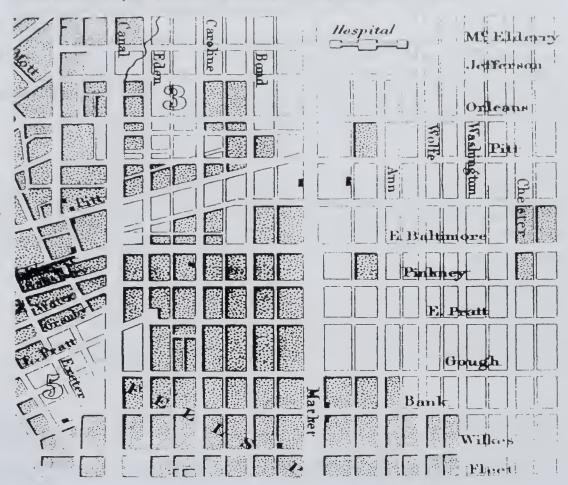
A triangle piece of ground about 25 ft. on Ann St. and about 10 ft. on Orleans St. (yes, I know there is missing side, but I don't know which street that is!)

A piece of ground on the northside of Orleans St. about 22 ft. on Market St. and running about 456 ft. on Orleans St. to a point (here I don't know where that point is) MSA CE 33-11 CR 1060682 TR 237/50

A Lease on January 17, 1834 between Henry Hammond to Henry Herring.

'Beginning for the same, at the corner formed by the intersection of the northside of Hampstead Hill's St. and westside of Ann St., and running thence northerly bounding on the westside of Ann St., 264 ft to land belonging to Giles, Johnson and Moose., then westerly bounding on that said and parralled to Hampstead Hill St., 9 ft to the dividing line between Hammond and Williamson and there bounding on that line southwesterly to the northside of Hampstead Hill St. at a point distant 210 ft or there about westerly from the beginning and the easterly bounding on the northside of Hampstead Hill St. to the place of beginning'. MSA CE 32-11 CR 106079-1 TK245/345

Today Street Names:
Hampstead Hill Street is now called Fairmount Avenue
Argyle Alley is now Register Street
Market Street is now Broadway
Ann Street is now Fayette Street



Henry Herring started building his dream. The advertisement for Fair Mount ran March 10, 1834 in the Baltimore Patriot newspaper. This ad ran for many months, a copy of the ad is below.

FAIR MOUNT.

The subscriber respectfully informs the citizens of Baltimore, that he has purchased that elevated and commanding scite, formerly known as HAMPSTEAD HILL, in the East-

ern part of the city, and is enciting, at great expense, a large and elegant HOUSE, laid off the Ground, and planted it with Trees,—for the purpose of making it a most respectable and delightful Promenade and Pleasure Ground, every way worthy the patronage of the respectable part of the citizens of Beltimore. He therefore, feels confident, from the public spirit of the community, that an establishment got up in the style that this will be, and conducted in a proper manner, they will aid and assist him in his undertaking, by subscribing for one year at least, and therefore respectfully invites all who have not visited it to call and ascertain for thomselves, the extent and beauty of the improvements going on,—as he feels assured that it only requires of them to make a visit to admire, approve and aid the undertaking

It is instintention to superintend the establishment himself, and see that it is conducted in a proper manner, and make it, in every respect, one of the most pleasant places of resort ucar the city.

His terms of subscription are, for a Gentleman,

His terms of subscription are, for a Gentleman, his Family and friends, to visit on all occasions, for one year, from the first of May next,—\$5.

For genteel Young Men, without family, with the privilege of visiting, for two Ladies and himself, for two Ladies and himself, tor one year, -\$2.

II. HERRING.

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# Fair Mount

Herring officially opened for the season on May 1, 1834. Henry hoped that the citizens of Baltimore with the purchase of season tickets would help enable him to finish the building of the establishment.

Fair Mount was situated on Hampstead Hill. A large white framed tavern, which was 50 ft. square and was 2 stories high. A 10 ft. wide veranda extending around both stories. A castle like observatory commanded a beautiful view of the city.

An additional brick building partley completed measured 50 ft.on front and 20 ft. deep and 2 stores high (later became where the confectionary and ice cream was sold). A large Amphitheatre was adopted for fire works and a large laboratory was attached to it. A large stable and ice house was also on the property. The grounds were laid with trees for the purpose of a promenade and pleasure gardens.

A band would perform every evening for the enjoyment of it's patrons. A bar in the tavern provided the choices of wines and liquor. Ice cream was make daily.

Henry planned to supervise the establishment and make it a most pleasant resort in the city. He asked the public to aid and assist him in his undertaking by subscribing for one year to his gardens. His terms of subscription were:

For a Gentleman, his family & friends to visit on all occasion, for one year \$ 5.00.

For a genteel youngman, without family, with the privilege of visiting, for two ladies and himself for one year \$ 2.00.

Henry Herring built at considerable expense a very large Amphitheatre with comfortable seating for the exhibition of fireworks and viewing the ballon ascensions. It could hold 7,000 to 8,000 people. Many club meetings were held at Fair Mount, including the Young Whigs.

# Fireworks

The display of fireworks were usually accompanied by a concert. Mr. Scott was the Pyrotechnic artist who put on the show. The grand display consisted of 20,000 square feet of brilliant fire. The fireworks commenced at 8:30 to 9:00 p.m. No smoking was allowed in the fireworks area. Small hand bills were circulated with the particulars about the show. The garden were brilliantly illuminated for the night entertainment.

Admittance Price:

Family Subscription \$ 5.00

Single Subscription \$ 2.00

Single ticket (day & night ) 12 1/2 cents with a ticket for refreshments (served at the bar)

Fireworks tickets 25 cents which included the Promenade ground gratis.

In August 1834, Herring held a fireworks display to benefit himself due to the damages of the property that a tornado damaged his property to the amount of \$ 300. He talks of the extreme pressure of the times.

### Ballon Ascension

The Ballon ascension would start at 2 o'clock, when the gates of the Garden were open to the public. At 2:15pm a cannon was fired to announce the start of the filling of the ballon. The ballon took it airel flight about 5:15 pm.

A band with or without vocal music could be heard in the garden area.

An efficient police force under the direction of the local magistrate would be in constant attendance to preserve law and order. Different ascensions would effect the varied prices that were charged. These tickets could be obtained at all hotels and book stores in the city and also at the park. Those attending the Promenade grounds paid from free to 25 cents depending on the event. A reward would be given to anyone who returned the ballon and its occupants uninjured to the garden.



# Trouble sets in

On August 28, 1834, Henry placed an ad to the Notice of his creditors that a meeting was to take place at Fair Mount Gardens on the 29th at 4 o'clock.

### Constable's Sale

On September 13, 1834, the Constables (there were 3 who placed these ads) offer for sale the goods; chattels, lands and tenements of Henry Herring.

The constable have seized and taken in execution all the estate, right, title interest, property, claim and demand at law and in equity of the said Henry Herring, in and to a certain piece or parcel of ground situated on Hampstead Hill, with all the improvements thereon, consisting of a large frame tavern house, sheds, and other buildings all on the enclose, and now occupied by said Herring, as a tavern and pleasure garden, known by the name of Fair Mount.

On September 13, 1834 at 4 o'clock on the premises the above property, so seized and taken in execution to the hightest bidder for cash.

### Chancery Sale

This ad ran from September thru November listing terms as above and date of public sale (December 1, 1834)

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On Nov 19, 1834, Herring advertised another meeting with his creditors. He would try to interest them in forming a stock company, before the property was sold in foreclosure. He was \$ 4,000 in the

An ad on May 2, 1835 listed again Fair Mount for public auction.

### Trustee Sale

This ad appeared October 28, 1835 Baltimore Gazette. As insolvent debtor, the sale at public auction on the premises on 12th of November.

> TRUSTEE'S SALE.—By Virtue and in pursuance of an order of the County Court of Baltimote, the subscriber as permanent Trustee of H. Herring, an insolvent debtor, will sell at public Auction on the premises, on THURSDAY, the 12th day of November next, the following leasehold property, viz beginning for the same at the corner formed by the intersection of the north side of Hamstead Hill st. and the west side of Ann st, and running thence nor-therly bounding on the west side of Ann street two hundred and sixty four feet to Land Lelonging to Giles, Johnson and Moore, then resterly bounding on that Land and parallel to Hamstead Hill street, ninety-one feet to the dividing line between Hammond and Williamson, and then bounding on that line southwesterly to the north side of Hamstead Hill st, at a point distant 410 feet or thereahout westerly from the beginhant will lest of therearoot westerny from the beginning, and then easterly bounding on the north side of Hamstead Hill street to the place of beginning, being the same peace or parrel of Land, leased by Henry Hammond, to the said Henry Herring, together with all the lumber and materials oo said premises.
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> Terms of sale—one third of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale and the balance to be paid in two equal instalments of six and nine months, the

purchaser giving bonds with approved security.

JOHN M. STEUART,

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In the June 1835 ad, reads new owner of Fair Mount Gardens is listed as Thomas Watson. In the June 1836 ad, reads new proprietor of Fair Mount Gardens, Daniel Dickinson dies.

Henry Herring on the morning of the 7th of March 1868, dies at half past 4 o'clock. He was in 77th year of age.

Before I close on my research, I would like to share an interesting tidbit of information that I found.

In 1865, Henry sent a letter to the editors of the American newspaper here in Baltimore. His letter ran on October 9, 1865. It was about his nephew's funeral and burial.

- 1) His nephew was buried with his grandfather in the center of the cemetery, not at the corner front.
- 2) Henry supplied a neat mahogany coffin.
- 3) Another nephew supplied a hack and hearse for the funeral.
- 4) He and 3 other people attended his nephew's funeral.

His nephew died October 7, 1849 in Baltimore and was the famous author.

### EDGAR ALLEN POE

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# GREISENHEIM

German Aged Peoples Home

By: Russ Sears

The medal was made for the dedication of Greisenheim. It is 1 ¼". Brass. Most are seen holed.



The German community in Baltimore saw a need to take care of older Germans. At the urging of the Allegeheine Arbeiter Kranken Unterstutzungs Verein, the Workman's Sick Benefit Society, a meeting was held at the Mechanics Hall, opposite Fords Opera House, on Fayette Street.

The meeting, held in April 1881, was held to discuss and plan for the establishment of a home for old Germans. It was decided to move forward with the idea. The first building for the home was leased and located at the corner of Lombard and Penn Streets. It was dedicated on April 12, 1882. The first board included notable Baltimoreans Frederick Wehr, Joel Gutman, Ernst Hoen, Ernst Knabe and others. The home was a success with a long waiting list.

The board moved forward for growth and purchased the ground on the northeast corner of Baltimore and Payson Streets for over \$12,000. The property had been the home of Civil War General G. H. Steuart. A building committee was established. Frederick Decker was selected to be the builder.

When the building was completed in May 1885, a total expenditure of over \$ 100,000 had been made. Over the years, other prominent families made donations of time and funds to the home including Bauernschmidt, Gail, Fischer, Hobelman, Weyler, Szold and others.

Information was provided by the booklet, Fifty Years of the General German Aged Peoples Home, Baltimore, Maryland, 1931.



# PATENT MACHINE PORTRAITS

JANE SEARS

Not a token or a medal, but this very interesting item in our collection I would like to share. The patent machine pocket portraits were used around 1876 and 1877. This date is from an ad in the Philadelphia Inquirer newspaper. A copy of the ad will follow later in this article. Since this ad pin points the time frame to 1876-77. I am attributing the photo disk to Charles M. Nimmo of Baltimore, Maryland.

Baltimore City Directories:

1876	Charles M. Nimmo	painter	62 s. Paca
, ,	Charles M. Nimmo	photographer	123 w. Baltimore
1878	Charles M. Nimmo	photographer	62 Barry

Directory of Maryland Photographers 1839-1900 by Ross J. Kelbaugh DIMMO CHARLES M. photographer

123 W. Baltimore 1877 62 Barry 1878 CD (city directory) I am going to call this item an advertising disk.

It reads: No. 123 WEST BALTIMORE STREET. / PATENT MACHINE PORTRAITS / IN GOD WE TRUST / (eagle) 10 FOR / HALF DOL. / BALTIMORE.

It size is about 1 1/2" wide.





These tiny pocket portraits were light in weight and economical too. Costing as low as four for a quarter or ten for 50 cents. They were so small that they could be carried in one's pocket or bag and even place in a letter.

This new machine encased the little pictures at a rapid rate of fifty per minute. On one side it is orange with black lettering on paper and on the other side is a photo with rolled edges.

In the June 21, 1877 issue of the Philadelphia Inquirer, (copy of ad below) it advertises the small little photo disk. This was the only ad that I found in the newspapers from 1870's to 1880's for the entire country.

# APPLEGATE'S Patent Machine Pocket Portrait.

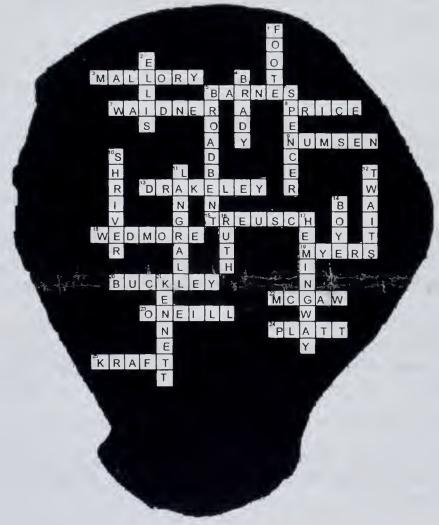
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New machines with speed encases,
Fifty cut out every minute;
Perfect gems: there's millions in it.
Thousands send them in a letter.
High priced pictures are no better;
Ornamental like a locket,
Neat and handy for the pocket.
Every mother, son and daughter
Gets four taken for a quarter;
On account of prices low,
The poor as well as rich can go.

# APPLEGATE'S IMMENSE GALLERIES.

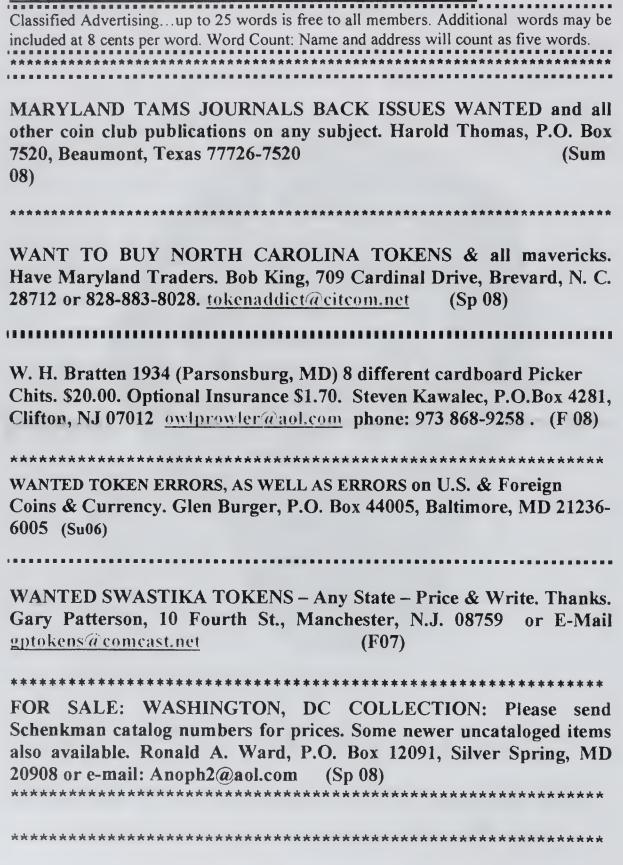
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crossword puzzle answers by Jane Sears



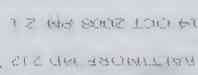
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